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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 9-6-54

WEATHER The week was very warm with temperatures averaging 5 to 8 degrees above the normal for this season of the year. Heavy local showers fell at a few places in the north-central portion and in the Panhandle; elsewhere only light to moderate scattered showers occurred. Additional moderate showers fell in the west and central portions over the weekend.

CROPS Corn made good progress toward maturity last week. Additional rain might be helpful in some of the drier localities. Corn earworm is especially severe this year. Irrigated corn is very promising

About 9% of the wheat has been planted. Planting has been delayed due to dry surface soil and is limited largely to the Panhandle, southwestern and northern Nebraska. Volunteer wheat is a considerable problem in eastern Nebraska since the wet soil prevented destruction at the proper time. About 23% of the rye has been planted.

About two-thirds of the fall planting of alfalfa has been completed to date and 55% of the grasses have been sown. Soil conditions have been exceptionally favorable for seeding of alfalfa and grasses. The past week has been very favorable for harvesting alfalfa. The last crop of alfalfa needs more moisture.

There is no change in the condition of range and pasture. Most of the pasture crops need more rain as high temperatures and winds the last week were detrimental.

About 441 cars of early potatoes have been marketed as compared with 387 cars to the same date a year ago. Dry edible beans are being harvested.

LIVESTOCK Improvement to pastures due to the splendid rains in August has enabled cattle to make further gains. The rains have also increased the hay and feed supply. A total of 992,000 cattle have been slaughtered in Nebraska during the first 7 months of the year as compared to 867,000 head to the same date a year ago. Slaughter of hogs for the first 7 months of the year amounted to 1,341,000 head against 1,516,000 head for the same period a year ago. Slaughter of lambs at 692,000 head is practically the same number as for the first 7 months a year ago.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 6, 1954

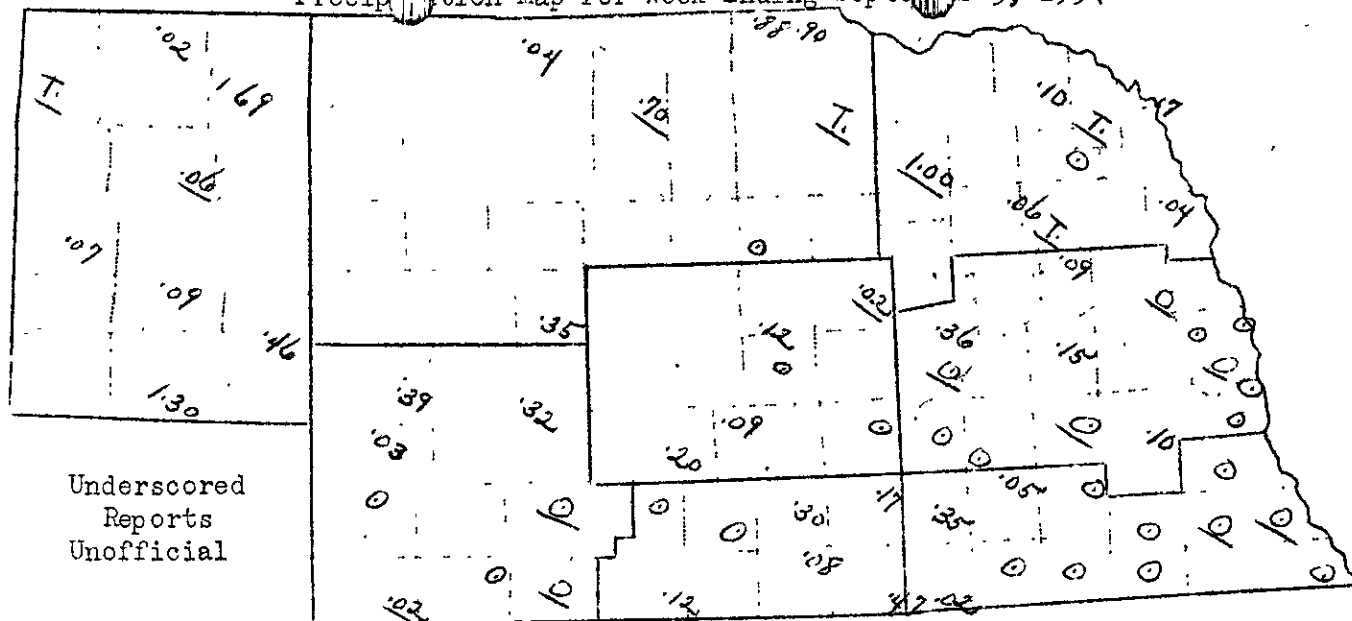
<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island 0	Burwell 0	Chadron .15
Lincoln .06	Lexington .03	Imperial .25
Norfolk .06	North Platte .37	Scottsbluff .27
Omaha 0	Valentine .71	Sidney .94
Sioux City .19		

Precipitation April 1 - September 3, 1954

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9-7-54

	<u>Eastern Div.</u>	<u>Central Div.</u>	<u>Western Div.</u>
Total past week	.08	.23	.41
Total since April 1	19.97	13.05	10.15
Normal since April 1	18.10	15.64	12.54

Precipitation Map for Week Ending September 3, 1954



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (High for 24 hours ending 12:30 a.m., and low for 12 hours ending 6:30 a.m., CST)

		August		September									
		31st		1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	95	66	102	67	88	53	90	63	89	58	83	58
	Scottsbluff	92	60	100	62	87	54	90	63	84	55	84	56
	Sidney	90	54	95	60	86	49	94	56	86	57	84	54
H-C	Burwell	92	63	91	62	95	52	92	65	93	69	96	--
	Valentine	89	64	92	73	85	50	84	60	87	61	82	64
NE	Norfolk	84	57	88	68	94	62	88	64	88	72	97	68
	Sioux City	85	63	84	64	93	64	88	61	84	70	94	67
CEN.	Grand Island	84	64	86	67	95	64	90	66	92	72	95	68
	Lexington	88	65	88	62	98	55	90	63	99	66	97	61
E-C	Lincoln	84	63	85	66	93	68	90	65	89	77	101	77
	Omaha	84	60	83	65	92	71	91	68	87	80	101	71
SW	Imperial	93	58	96	65	96	54	94	61	96	63	94	58
	North Platte	87	63	90	64	91	54	88	65	99	63	94	59

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